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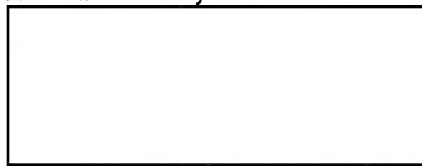
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b. USIB-M-671, 27 June 1974, Item 6

Pursuant to the discussion at the USIB meeting of 27 June (reference b. ), the attached final version of the Perspectives are forwarded herewith for information. Copies have also been provided to the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board and the members of the National Security Council Intelligence Committee.



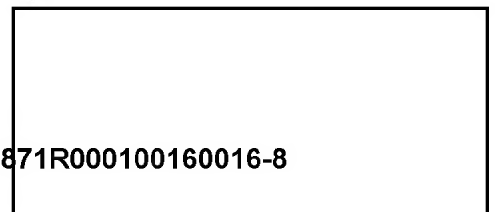
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## Introduction

1. These Perspectives for Intelligence 1975-1980 are issued by the Director of Central Intelligence to provide general guidance for planning for all elements of the Intelligence Community for the next five years. They are particularly designed to stimulate early action on programs requiring long-term research, development, or planning—such as complex technical systems, language training, skills augmentation, etc. They are designed to influence Fiscal Year 1975 decisions whose effects will be felt only after several years. For Fiscal Year 1975, near-term guidance is provided in the Director's Objectives submitted to the President, which include both Substantive Objectives (further detailed in Key Intelligence Questions) and Resource Management Objectives. The Director's Annual Report to the President on the work of the Intelligence Community will include comment on steps taken during FY 75 to meet future requirements.

2. These Perspectives open with a general overview of the political, economic and security environment anticipated during the coming five years (Part I). This is followed by an overall statement of the anticipated role of intelligence in these situations during that period (Part II). Finally, more specific guidance is given with respect to activities which should be planned or initiated in order to meet the needs of the period ahead (Part III).

3. The Perspectives are focused primarily on major national intelligence problems and guidance. They recognize but do not deal extensively with three additional categories of important problems:

(a) Continuing lower priority national responsibilities which must be satisfied with a limited allocation of resources;

(b) Departmental or tactical intelligence support of civilian and military elements of the United States Government. This will also require continuing investment of attention and resources;

(c) Unexpected problems or crises which can pose major political, economic or security problems to the United States. To the extent that these requirements cannot be met by reallocation of resources from less urgent activities, some reserve capability must be included in planning to meet them.

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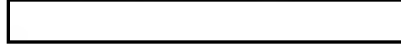
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